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Y. M. I.

Grand Council of the Kentucky Jurisdiction Meets Next Week.

Notable Gathering of Catholic Young Men Tomorrow at Frankfort.

Reports Will Show That All Councils Have Made Progress.

INTEREST IN ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The annual convention of the Grand Council of the Young Men's Institute of the Kentucky Jurisdiction



DR. JOSEPH REARDON.
President of the Grand Council.

tion will open at Frankfort tomorrow with the meeting of the Board of Grand Directors. Monday morning the Grand officers, delegates and visitors will march to the Church of the Good Shepherd, where a high mass will be sung by the pastor, the Rev. Thomas Major, after which the convention will be called to order in the handsome hall of Lambert Young Council by Grand President Reardon. There will be morning and afternoon sessions and the business of the convention will be concluded on Tuesday. The gathering will be a notable one and will be representative of the Catholic Young Men of Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri, the three States included in the jurisdiction.

Arrangements have been made for the entertainment and comfort of all who attend. The three councils of Louisville have arranged for a special train over the Louisville & Nashville that will leave at 8:45 and arrive in Frankfort time for dinner. The afternoon and evening will be given over to receptions, trolley rides and visits to points of interest. Santo Council, of Owensboro, will send a large delegation, which will join the Louisville crowd, as will also those from New Haven and Lebanon. Lexington, Newport, Covington and Bellevue will be well represented, and the members from those cities will come by special trains.

The Young Men's Institute was never before so strong numerically as at present. Reports submitted to the Grand officers show the different councils have overflowing treasuries and all are increasing in membership. Particularly is this the case here in Louisville, where a great interest in the order has been awakened. During the past year Trinity Council, under the able leadership of President Martin, has forged to the front and now leads the jurisdiction with a membership reaching toward 500. In addition to this satisfactory advancement being made by Trinity, the new \$18,000 club house, the foundation for which was laid and paid for last fall. Next comes Mackin Council, which hopes to soon pass its rival in the East End. Barry Council, of Lexington, maintains the strong position it always held, and Santo, of Owensboro, and Chickasaw, of Memphis, show remarkable gains as compared with former years. The other councils have kept in line with the progress made, and now the Kentucky jurisdiction is one of the most important factors between Pennsylvania and California. Kentucky responded nobly to the San Francisco appeal for relief, and the aggregate sum forwarded will be announced at the convention.

In few fraternal societies is there so much fraternal taken in the election of officers as in the Y. M. I. Its membership includes men who are natural politicians and who always put up a vigorous fight for their respective candidates. This year the contest for the Grand Presidency seems to lie between Grand Vice President Albert E. Martin and John J. Crotty, both of Louisville. Each possesses ability of a high order and would make a splendid executive head, but it now looks that the former will be a winner. The next office of greatest importance is that of Grand Secretary, and for this the aspirants are Edwin Dawson, the present incumbent, and Capt. Lutkemeier, of Frankfort. The former has made a splendid record, and his friends claim that he is entitled to endorsement by re-election. Mackin Council will present the name of James Shelley for one of the Supreme Delegates, and claims

to now have votes enough pledged to insure his election. The friends of John J. Sullivan, and they are in every council of the jurisdiction, have determined to send him as the other. With two such experienced representatives luster would be shed on our Grand Council and the order. The other offices, of which there are quite a number, will be equitably distributed and all councils recognized.

Two pleasing features of the convention will be the trolley ride and outing at the Country Club and the banquet at the Capital Hotel, at which the most brilliant men in the order will respond to the toasts. From all reports a great time is in store for those who attend this convention.

BECOMING EXCITING.

Membership Contest Bringing Results to Mackin Council.

Mackin Council had a big meeting Tuesday night, and the filing of nine more applications by Capt. Ben Reid and his men created much enthusiasm and greatly excited the team led by James Mullarkey. If the present rate is kept up Mackin will soon be far in the lead of all other councils, and this seems to be the object of the present movement. Besides the five names previously presented were balloted for with favorable results. Officer R. W. Galway was reported able to return to his duties, and now there is no one on the sick list. A letter thanking the council for the scholarship awarded the parochial school at Nolin was received from the pastor of the Sacred Heart church at that place.

The council received an invitation to the Shaughnessy-Wolf wedding next Wednesday, which was accepted and the Secretary instructed to send a letter to the worthy couple wishing them a long life of happiness and success. Magistrate Patrick Sullivan delivered the address of the evening, "What's In a Name?" being his subject. Beginning with St. Patrick he spoke entertainingly till he came to the time of Father



EDWIN DAWSON.
Secretary of the Grand Council.

Mackin, for whom the council was named, and in eloquent words urged that the members see to it that a suitable monument be placed over his grave. Thomas Bachman spoke on Father Ryan, the poet priest, and the questions were answered by B. Reichenwald and Charles Cate. Because of the Grand Council next week the intellectual exercises will be omitted Tuesday night.

Mackin Council voted to have a band for the trip to Frankfort tomorrow, and all who can are requested to meet at the club house before 8 o'clock, from where they will proceed to the train at First and Water streets.

FRENCH BISHOPS

Approve Protest Against the Usurpation of Church Property.

The Osservatore Romano Tuesday published the French Bishops' reply, unanimously and entirely approving the terms of the Pope's encyclical against the separation of Church and State. The document begins with an expression of the Bishops' satisfaction relative to the first assembly of the entire French episcopate for a century, marking the historic hour which returns to the Church of France one of its dearest liberties. The Bishops express their gratitude for the opportunity afforded to show their unanimous patriotism, faith and submission to the Pope's will, and recognize the Papal encyclical as a monument of divine and human wisdom, which, after judging, condemns the separation law. The Bishops declare themselves happy that they have been judged worthy to suffer for the faith, and add: "With you, Holy Father, we condemn the false principles of the separation of Church and State. Without previous consultation with the head of the Church, you have protested against the sacrilegious usurpation of ecclesiastical property. We await the future with eyes turned toward Rome."

The reply concludes with the hope that the Pope will safeguard the rights of France as the oldest daughter of the Church, and also the privileges of the protectorate of the Catholics in the Orient.

FIFTY YEARS.

Festivities That Will Mark Three Golden Jubilees at St. John's.

Record of Very Rev. L. Bax Without Parallel in America.

For Half a Century Has He Served Faithfully and Well.

THE PROGRAMME FOR EACH DAY

Tomorrow morning at St. John's church, Clay and Walnut streets, there will be inaugurated a golden



FRANK G. ADAMS.
Chairman Board of Grand Directors.

jubilee celebration without parallel in this country that will continue for three days. For fifty long years was the venerable and Very Rev. Lawrence Bax faithfully and well served the people of that congregation, baptizing their children and their children's children, administering to them their first holy communion, later joining them in the holy Eucharist, and finally administering the last sacrament and preparing them for the journey into eternity.

But few recognize the significance of a blessed pastorate of fifty years of one church by one and the same pastor. Father Deppen has well said that, "Fifty years of unbroken pastorate is history, pastoral history, embracing of one-half the history of an historical diocese, and the venerable pastor is a part, and no small part, of that history." For weeks past the ladies of the Altar Society and the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin and the men of the St. Vincent de Paul Society have been busy with preparations for the festivities of the three jubilee celebrations with which this event will be observed. The programme is an elaborate one, and both sides have done their utmost to add to its splendor in exhibiting the love and veneration in which the good pastor is held by both clergy and laity. Not the least imposing feature will be the presence of the Uniform Rank of the Catholic Knights of St. John in their full uniforms, under the direction of Major Gen. Kadeski, who comes to Louisville for this special occasion.

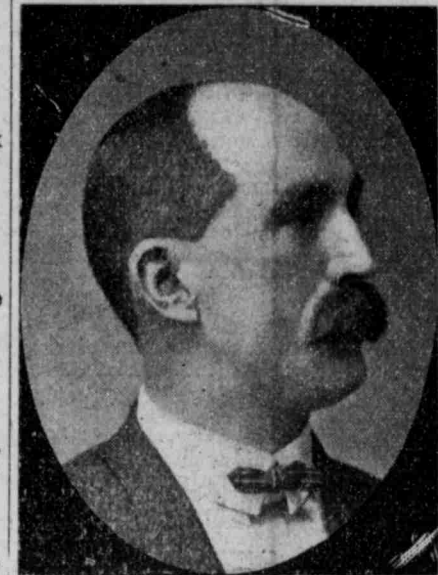
The jubilee will begin tomorrow morning, when it is expected Bishop McCloskey will arrive, and many other prelates will be present. The solemn mass at 10 o'clock, in thanksgiving for blessings received during the fifty years' pastorate of the beloved jubilarian, will be celebrated by him. One hundred children, together with the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society from the different conferences and the Uniformed Knights will form an escort to the Right Reverend Bishop and the officiating and visiting clergy. The sermon will be preached by the eloquent Father Vincent Tröst, O. F. M., of St. Boniface church, the grand Gregorian musical programme has been specially arranged for this service, but the Kyrie, Gloria, Credo and Agnus Dei will be Mercedarians. At the end of the mass the Te Deum will be intoned and taken up by the choir and congregation, the procession in the meanwhile returning to the rectory in the order that it came. There will be no tickets of admission, and after pewholders are seated the public will be admitted.

Monday morning the solemn mass will be sung in thanksgiving for the blessings bestowed by God on the societies connected with St. John's for fifty years and those organized later—all of which were instituted and have been under his spiritual guidance. Rev. Thomas J. Jenks, years ago assistant priest at St. John's, but now stationed at New Hope, will preach the thanksgiving sermon at this mass.

On Tuesday there will be a thanksgiving mass for all those who in the past fifty years were baptized, instructed and married by Father Bax. The Rev. John T. Hill, of the Cathedral, Secretary to Bishop McCloskey, and a child of the congregation and baptized and instructed by the pastor, will preach the sermon on this occasion. The reverend clergy will be heard from in final statement will not be made till the next meeting.

escort as on Sunday will enter the church and occupy front seats in the center aisle.

Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock there will be celebrated a solemn high mass of requiem for all the



ALBERT F. MARTIN.
Louisville's Choice for Grand President.

members of the congregation who departed this life during the pastorate of the reverend jubilarian. There have been many celebrations during the past half century of St. John's parish, from which many others have been molded, but none that in anywise approach the present one, and the interest felt in its observance is not confined to the city or State, but extends throughout the country. The Kentucky Irish American joins in the hope that Father Bax may be long spared to them.

C. T. A. U.

Brilliant Scenes Attend the Large Convention in Providence.

The thirty-sixth annual convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union, which was held last week, was a memorable event in the history of Providence. The local union had worked earnestly to arouse the citizens, and especially the Catholics, to a realization of the great honor that was about to be conferred upon them by the coming of the delegates from all parts of the Union, and the people warmly responded to the efforts of the local union. Even where commendation was not to be expected the delegates experienced an unlooked for consideration and kindness that gave proof more than anything else of the salutary influence their presence had created in Providence. The stores of the city were gayly decorated to welcome the delegates, and the interest manifested in their work by large numbers who reviewed the street processions and who attended the open rally held in Infantry Hall on Thursday evening all contributed to make the stay of the delegates in Providence enjoyable for themselves and fruitful for the cause of total abstinence.

National Secretary Logue reported that the national body represented 961 local societies throughout the breadth of the country, with a membership of over 100,000. The following national officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Eight Rev. J. F. Regis Canavin, Pittsburg; First Vice President, Rev. J. J. Curran, Wilkesbarre; Second Vice President, Rev. Austin R. O'Toole, Providence; Third Vice President, Miss Leonora Lake, St. Louis; Treasurer, Rev. J. T. Coffey, St. Louis; Secretary, J. Washington Logue, Philadelphia.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Annual Celebration Adds Nice Sum to Treasury Fund.

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Committee of the Catholic Knights of America was held Friday night at St. Mary's Hall with a very fair attendance of members. President McGinn presided and all were in their chairs. Only business of a routine nature was transacted,



THOMAS J. GARVEY.
Member Board of Grand Directors.

the greater part of the time being consumed in receiving returns from the annual celebration. Chairman Higgins reported all bills paid, and the amount turned over to Charles Falk will swell the treasury to large proportions. As several branches remain to be heard from, a final statement will not be made till the next meeting.

No man ever shares the self-esteem of his neighbor.

BIG ONE.

Preparing For the Hibernian Convention to Be Held at Paris.

Will Comprise Greatest Number of Delegates Assembled in Years.

The Ladies' Auxiliary Will Also Play an Important Part.

SPECIAL TRAIN FROM THIS CITY

The coming State convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, which will hold its opening session at



WILLIAM P. McDONOGH.
Will Represent Satoll Council.

Paris on Monday, September 2, promises to be the largest and most important since the foundation of this grand old Irish Catholic society in Kentucky thirty years ago. From Louisville, Covington, Newport and Ashland it is intended to run specials, and there will be such a gathering in the pretty Bourbon county metropolis as was never witnessed before.

It will be gratifying to the entire membership to learn that the State Chaplain, the Right Rev. Camillus P. Maes, Bishop of Covington, will be present at the convention and will also be the celebrant of the solemn high mass on the opening day. From President Grace it is learned that the citizens of Paris are making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the delegates and visitors. They will be met at Lexington by a special train of interurban cars and taken through the beautiful Bluegrass country to Paris, where the convention will be in session for at least two days. There will be no desire to rush the business, and all resolutions introduced will be given careful consideration. It is the intention of the present State officers to submit recommendations that will increase the membership in those cities where divisions now exist and also to institute new ones throughout the State. In addition to the reception and entertainment being arranged for the event there will be a banquet for the delegates and visitors upon the adjournment of the convention.

For the convenience of those from Louisville a committee of the County Board will arrange for a special coach over the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad at greatly reduced fare. The train will leave the Seventh-street depot at 8:10 Sunday morning, giving those who wish an opportunity to spend a day in Lexington. It is expected that large numbers will take advantage of this opportunity.

State President Thomas Keenan was seen this week and said the Ancient Order of Hibernians stands today as the morning star of our Irish Catholic hopes and filial affection, standing on the fatherhood of God and brotherhood of man. It is the largest society in the world of one nationality and religion, and in this country numbers over 200,000. "There has," he said, "been a substantial increase in our membership in Kentucky, though not all that the State officers had hoped for. When I came into office there was not an auxiliary in the State, but now there are four flourishing branches, one here in Louisville, at Covington, Paris, Ashland and one being organized at Newport. The net gain of the organization has been small, but those of the Covington and Newport bodies have been almost phenomenal. Kentucky has now eight divisions, all strong and well financed, and four ladies' auxiliaries, and the prospects for the future of our organization were never brighter. More work would have been done but for the fact that it was impossible for the State officers, who are stationed so far apart, to leave their homes and business at the same time, and for this reason I will recommend that hereafter the State President and State Secretary be located in the same county. Our convention promises to be more largely attended than for many years past, and the State Board has about completed its programme, which will prove one of more than ordinary interest."

As at our last convention, held at Covington, we will have with us our State Chaplain, the Right Rev. Bishop Maes, who will address

the delegates and visitors on the first day."

When asked if he would be a candidate for re-election, President Keenan answered: "No, that would be impossible, as the law now prohibits any State officer serving more than two terms in succession. However, I would not have been a candidate, being the only President ever honored with two terms, and I feel that is honor enough for any one. For my fellow officers I have the highest regard and appreciate their earnest work in behalf of the order."

Much interest is being manifested in the election of officers that will take place, but who the candidates will be is not yet known. The sentiment would indicate that men will be chosen because of their fitness and ability, and if this proves true a great awakening in Kentucky Hibernianism is sure to follow.

Quite a number of prominent members in this city have been invited to respond to toasts and sing at the banquet, and some of them are now preparing themselves for the event.

NOVEL FEATURES

Will Be Introduced at St. Paul's Picnic at Phoenix Hill.

The congregation of St. Paul's Roman Catholic church will hold their annual picnic at Phoenix Hill Park on Monday, September 3, (Labor day), afternoon and evening, and are trying if possible to make it a bigger success than the ones held previous years. It is a notable fact that Father York's picnic, as it is popularly called, has always been a synonym for big crowds; in fact he has the record for holding the largest church picnic of recent years. The committee in charge have arranged several special features for the picnic which are innovations in their line, some among them being a prize drill between the Uniform Rank, C. K. of A., and the Knights of St. John; a bowling contest between the Kentucky Irish American team, champions of the Falls City League, and Trinity comic team, champions of the Y. M. I. League;



JOHN J. CROTTY.
Chairman Louisville Joint Committee.

also a baby show from 3 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when ten dollars in gold will be given to the handsomest boy baby between the ages of one and three years, and ten dollars in gold to the handsomest girl baby of the same age.

The ladies of the congregation have arranged to serve a grand banquet at twenty-five cents per plate. Purchasers of admission tickets will be entitled to a chance in the drawing of twenty handsome prizes, the first prize being a full blooded Kentucky steed, runabout and harness complete. The lucky winner of this prize can surely be congratulated, as this is one of the handsomest prizes ever offered at an affair of this kind. Tickets of admission to the park are twenty-five cents, and children under twelve years of age accompanied by parents will be admitted free.

GOOD MEETING.

Auxiliary Delegates and Alternates to Hibernian Convention.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians met Wednesday evening at their hall in the Hopkins' Theater building, with President Miss Mary Sheridan in the chair and Miss Ella O'Connell acting as Recording Secretary in the absence of Mrs. Rose Kelly, who is ill at Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital. After several routine matters had been disposed of the election of delegates and alternates to the Ancient Order Hibernian convention at Paris next month took place, with the following result:

Miss Mary Sheridan, Miss Elizabeth King, Mrs. Rose Kelly, Miss Dora McGinty and Miss Rose Sweney were chosen as delegates, and Mrs. Mary Clines, Miss Bertha King, Mrs. Daniel Dougherty, Mrs. Williams M. Higgins and Miss Margaret Callahan were elected alternates.

State President Miss Mary Corcoran and County President Miss Ella O'Connell and also a great many of the auxiliary members will accompany the delegation, as a number of social features have been arranged for the benefit of the ladies. The sick committee reported Miss Mamie Curran, Miss Emma Pryor, Mrs. M. J. Heffernan and Mrs. Rose Kelly on the sick list and urged auxiliary members to visit them.

ENCYCLICAL

Issued by Holy Father Urges Organization by French Bishops.

They Will Thereby Prevent Separation of Church and State.

Deferred Action Through Charitable Feeling For French Nation.

ATROCIOUS WAR AGAINST RELIGION

The text of the Pope's long expected encyclical to the Archbishops and Bishops of France concerning their



CHARLES S. RAIDY.
Delegate From Mackin Council.

future conduct in view of the enactment of the laws providing for the separation of Church and State appeared in the Osservatore Romano Tuesday. It refers to the previous encyclical condemning the general principles of the law and says the time has arrived to indicate what should be done to defend and serve religion in France.

"We deferred," the encyclical continues, "our decision owing to the importance of this grave question and particularly through a charitable feeling for the great services your nation has rendered to the Church. Having heretofore condemned this iniquitous law, we examined with the greatest care its articles to see if they permitted the organization of religious life in France without jeopardizing the sacred principles of the church."

After approving the recommendations of the French hierarchy disapproving of the law, the encyclical says: "Therefore, concerning cultural associations such as the law prescribes, we decree absolutely that they can not be formed without a violation of the sacred rights which are the life itself of the church. Putting therefore aside these associations which our conscience forbids us to approve it is opportune to examine if some other kind of organization, both legal and canonical, can avert the threatened dangers to the church."

"But as this hope fails us," he continues, "and the law remains as it is, we declare it is not permissible to try this other kind of association so long as they do not establish in the most legal and the most positive way that the divine constitution of the church, the immutable rights of the Roman Pontiff and the Bishops, and their authority over the temporal affairs of the church, particularly the sacred edifices, will be irrevocably protected by such associations. We can not wish otherwise without betraying our sacred charge and producing the ruin of the church in France."

The document urges the Bishops to adopt all means within the law to organize their forces, assuring them of the Papal co-operation and support. "It is not difficult," the encyclical says, "to foresee the reactions which the enemies of the church will make against our present decree. They will seek to persuade the people that we do not seek the salvation of the church, but that the form of the republic in France is odious to us. We denounce with indignation such insinuations as false. The makers of these laws have not fought separation but oppression. While affirming their desire for peace they have made atrocious war against religion. They hurl a brand of the most violent discord, thus arraying one citizen against another to the great detriment of public welfare. We have submitted patiently to injustice through love of the French nation, and are finally asked to overstep the limits of our apostolic duty, and we declare our inability to overstep them. Let the responsibility rest with those whose hatred has gone to such extremes."

The Pope counsels against seditious or violent action and says firmness will give better results than violence. United action he says can be learned from those who have imposed the stigma of this crime upon the nation. In the encyclical says: "In the hard trial for France of defending the supreme authority of the church, the country the salvation of France is far from being contrary it is to be a dignity will be raised and prospered."